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SUBJ: GDR REPORT ON OBSERVERS AT SOVIET MANEUVER CAUCASUS

1. THE EAST GERMAN PRESS SERVICE, ADN, REPORTED
ON FEBRUARY 4 THE PRESENCE OF FOREIGN MILITARY OBSERVERS
FROM BULGARIA, YUGOSLAVIA, GREECE AND TURKEY AT THE
SOVIET MANEUVER "CAUCASUS". IN INTERVIEWS APPARENTLY GIVEN
TO TASS BY THESE OBSERVERS, THE BULGARIAN AND YUGOSLAV
REPRESENTATIVES ARE SAID TO HAVE PRAISED THE ADVANCED
STATE OF PREPAREDNESS OF THE SOVIET FORCES IN MOUNTAIN
WARFARE. AT THE SAME TIME THEY REPORTEDLY INDICATED THEIR
SUPPORT OF THE EFFORTS OF THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT TO ACHIEVE
DISARMAMENT IN THE INTEREST OF PEACE. INTERVIEWS WITH
THE TURKISH AND GREEK REPRESENTATIVES FOCUSED UPON THE
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INVITATIONS EXTENDED TO THEM AS A SIGN OF THE SOVIET

UNION'S "STRICT OBSERVANCE OF THE LETTER AND SPIRIT" OF THE HELSINKI CONFERENCE. THESE LATTER OBSERVERS ALSO PRAISED THE STATE OF READINESS OF THE SOVIET FORCES WHICH THEY SAID WERE PREPARED TO CARRY OUT THE MOST COMPLICATED TASKS OF MODERN WARFARE.

2. COMMENT: THIS APPEARS TO BE ANOTHER INSTANCE OF THE GDR "DOCUMENTING" SOVIET BLOC ADHERENCE TO THE HELSINKI FINAL ACT, IN THIS CASE PRIMARILY FOR EAST GERMAN CONSUMPTION. THE ATTENDANCE OF OBSERVERS FROM NATO COUNTRIES WILL CERTAINLY NOT BE LOST ON THE EAST GERMAN READER AND WILL APPEAR TO IMPLY SOVIET PURSUANCE OF DETENTE.GROVE

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